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1. The area south of the entrance to the Naval Harbor at Lepaya is surrounded by a barbed wire fence (No. 1 on Sketch No. 1), and there are antiaircraft guns in the dunes toward the outer harbor (No. 2 on Sketch No. 1). The number and types of these antiaircraft guns are unknown. The soldiers who operate these guns live in single story wooden barracks, or in houses which were taken over from their former civilian occupants. Other soldiers live in tents within the fenced-off area. The soldiers stationed in this enclosure wear infantry uniforms with black shoulder boards, on which the words BALTIYSKIY FLOT are inscribed.

2. Approximately 200 meters south of the fenced-in area, there are four wooden guns placed in the dunes, believed to be for decoy purposes (No. 3 on Sketch No. 1).

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4. To the east of Ventspils Iela, just south of the Naval Harbor (No. 5 on Sketch No. 1), there are four or five heavy antiaircraft guns, situated on concrete platforms. The gun crews live in tents in this area and are dressed in infantry uniforms with black shoulder boards, on which the words BALTIYSKIY FLOT are inscribed.

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5. On the north side of the entrance to the Merchant Harbor Canal (No. 1 on Sketch No. 2) there are eight, light, antiaircraft guns. The area is surrounded by a wire mesh fence. In the two corners of the enclosure, at the entrance to the Merchant Harbor, there are sentry boxes, raised approximately three or four meters above the ground. The gun crews live in tents inside the area, and wear infantry uniforms with black shoulder boards, on which the words BALTIYSKIY FLOT are inscribed.

6. On the former defense wall, west of Pademju Prospekts (No. 2 on Sketch No. 2), there are antiaircraft guns. The guns are placed on the former defense wall as shown in Sketch No. 3; they are situated on concrete platforms, and are not visible from the sea, but they could, if necessary, fire at targets at sea. The area is surrounded by a barbed wire fence, and civilians are not permitted inside it.

Key to Sketch No. 4

1. Antiaircraft guns.
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6. Sentries, next to wooden posts with what appears to be rungs; these poles are about six or seven meters high. See Sketch No. 5.
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8. A device, the purpose of which is unknown, in the center behind the defense wall (Sketch No. 6). No cables have been observed leading from this device to the antiaircraft guns.
9. Two trailers, as shown in Sketch No. 7.
10. One trailer, as shown in Sketch No. 8.
11. Area where the gun crews live in five or six tents. Some of the gun crews wear naval uniforms with blue shoulder boards, but there are also soldiers in infantry uniforms with black shoulder boards, on which the words BALTIYSKIY FLOT are inscribed.
12. Drill ground, for soldiers stationed in the enclosure.
13. Barbed wire fence.

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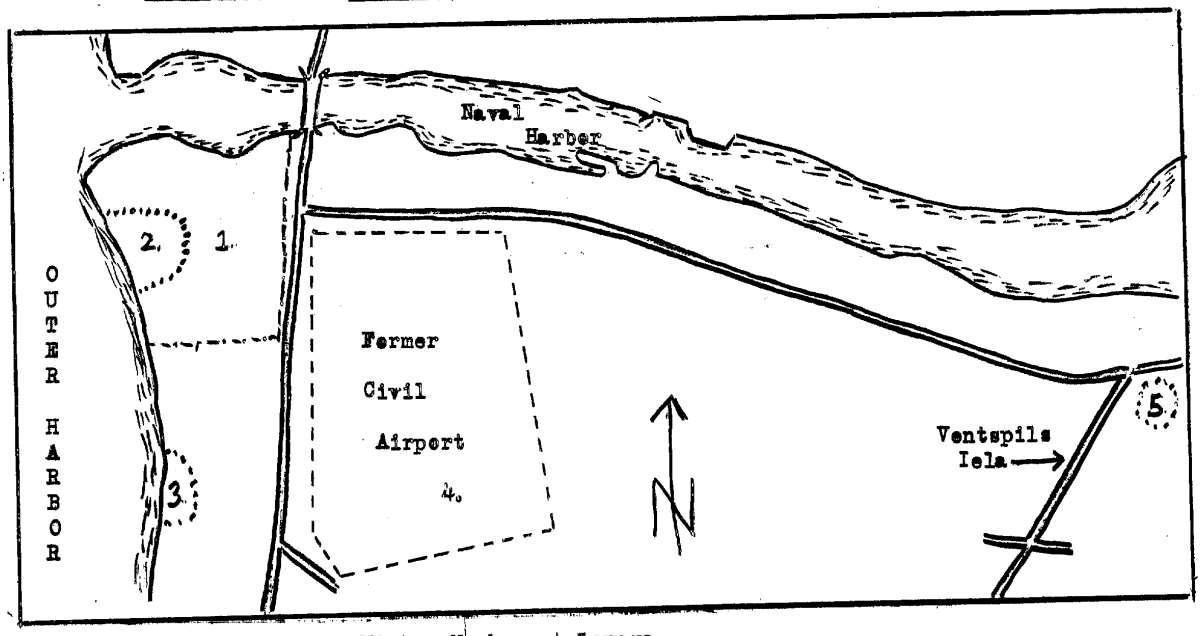
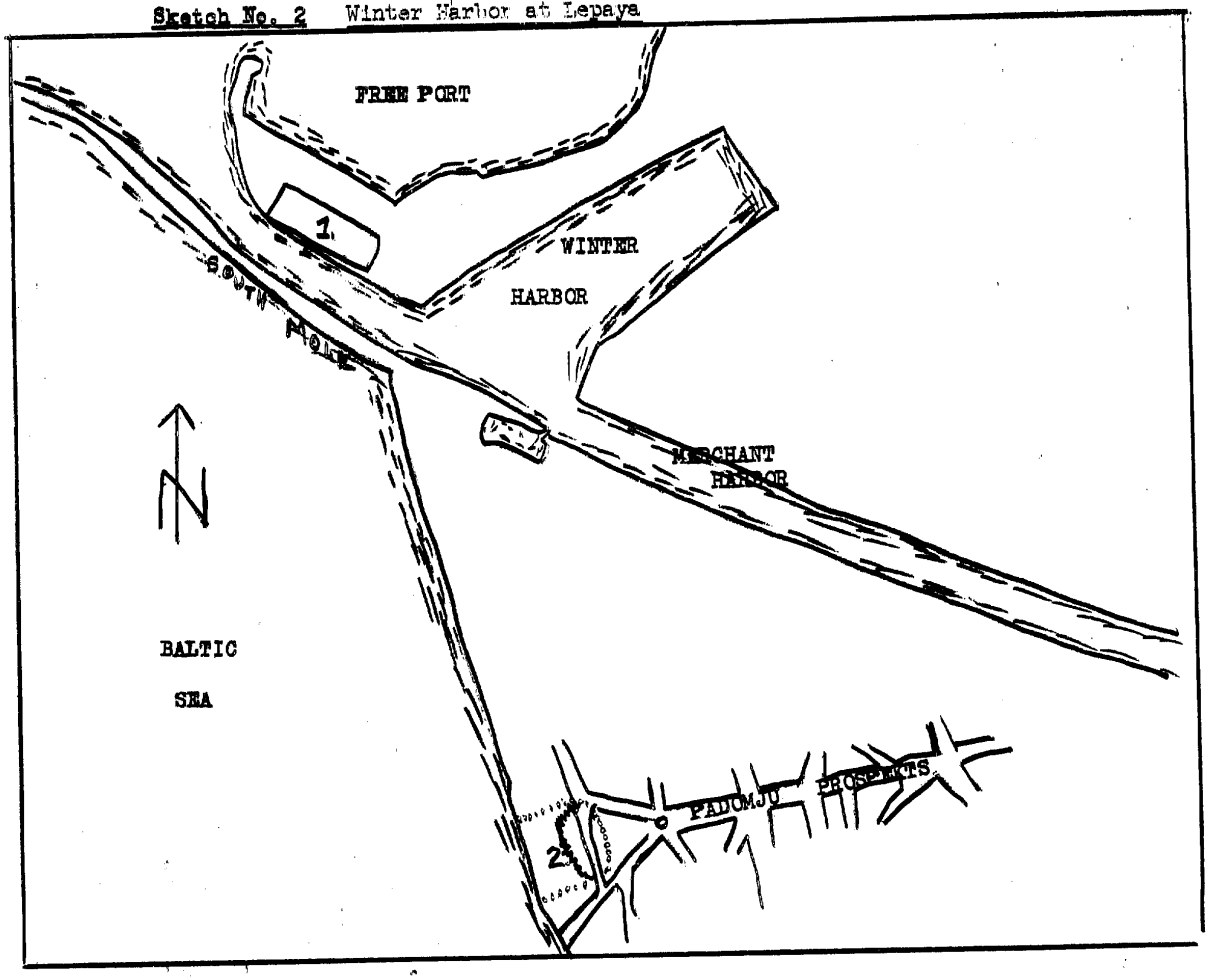
Sketch No. 1 Entrance to Naval Harbor at Lepaya



Sketch No. 2 Winter Harbor at Lepaya



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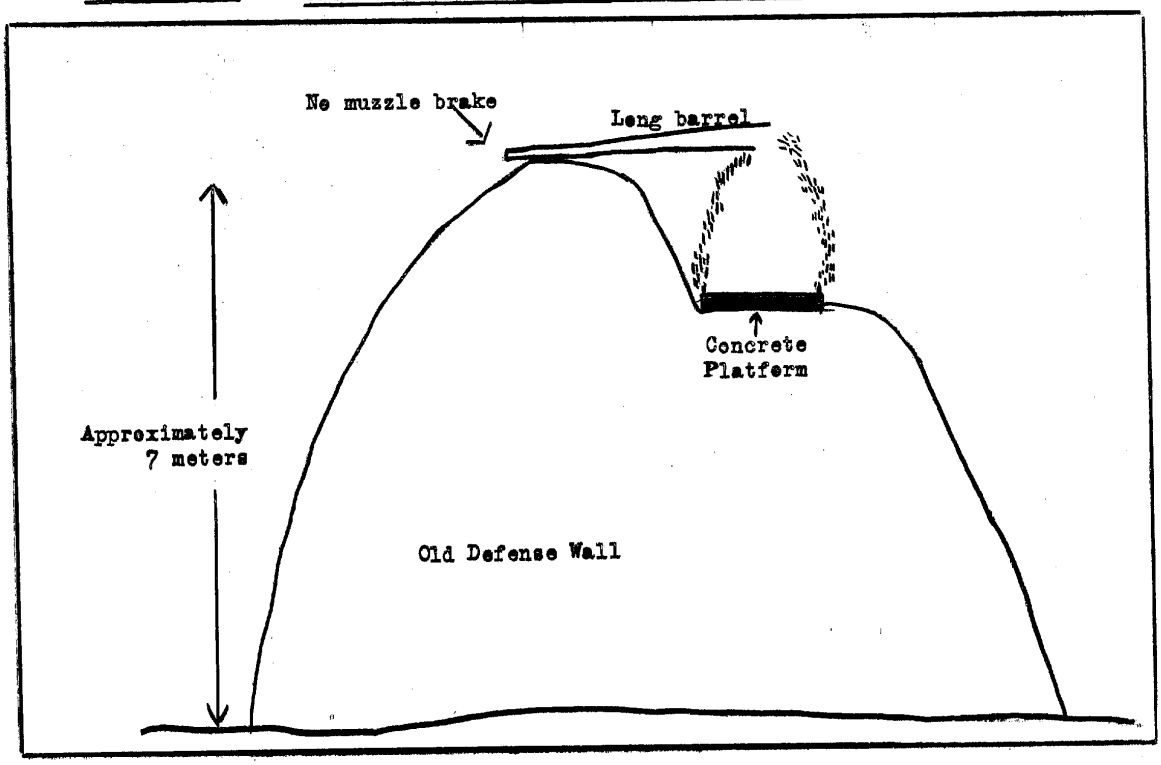
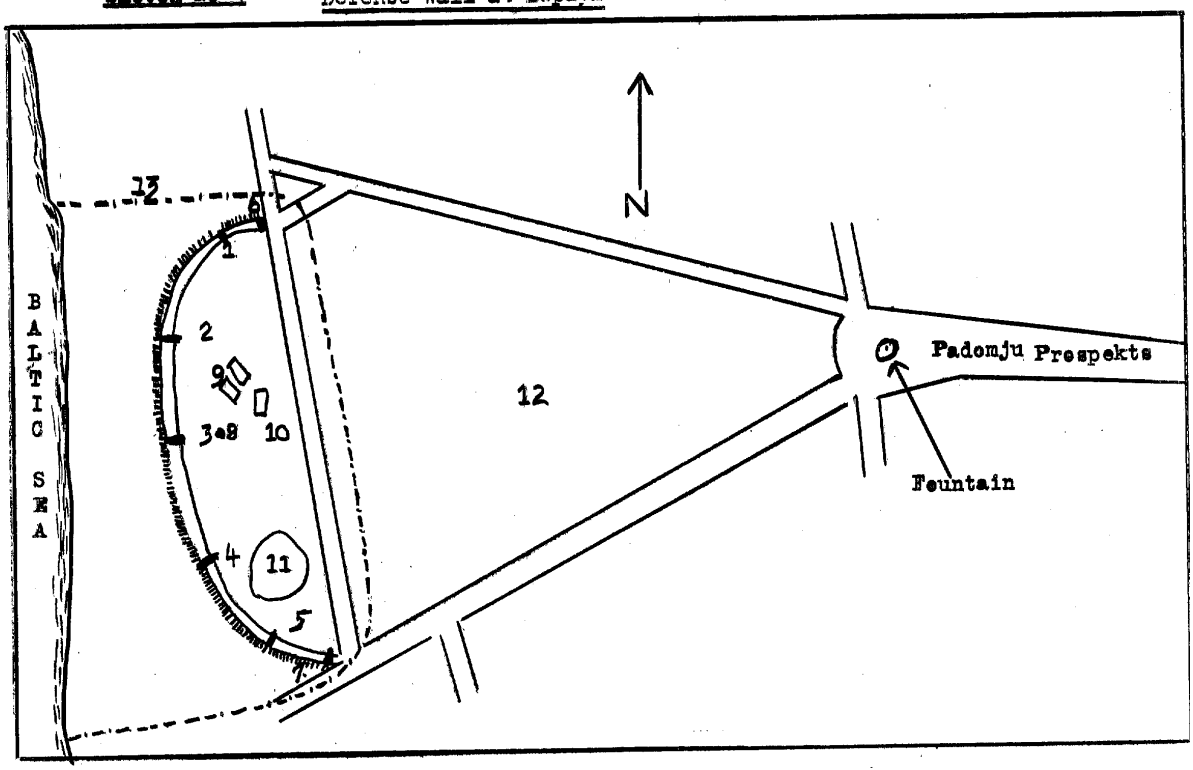
Sketch No. 3 Cross-Section of Defense Wall at Lepaya



Sketch No 4 Defense Wall at Lepaya



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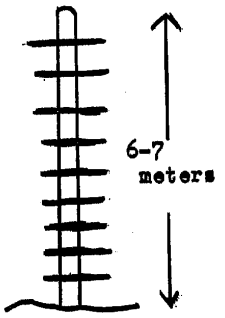
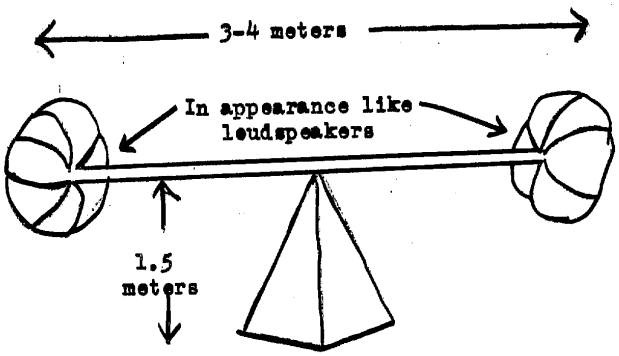
Sketch No. 5 : Wooden Posts



Sketch No. 6 : Device behind Defense Wall



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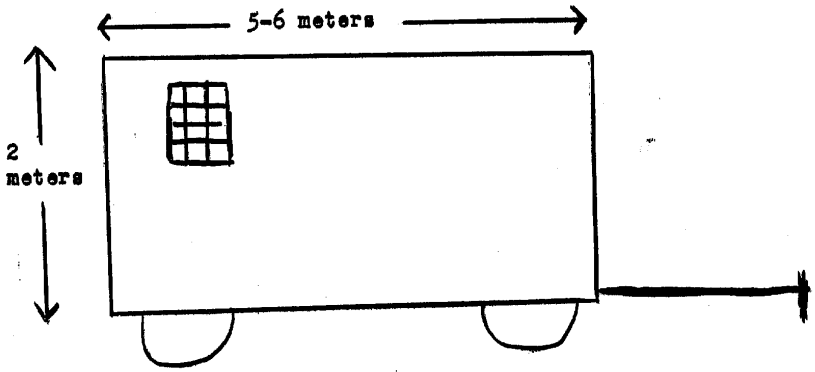

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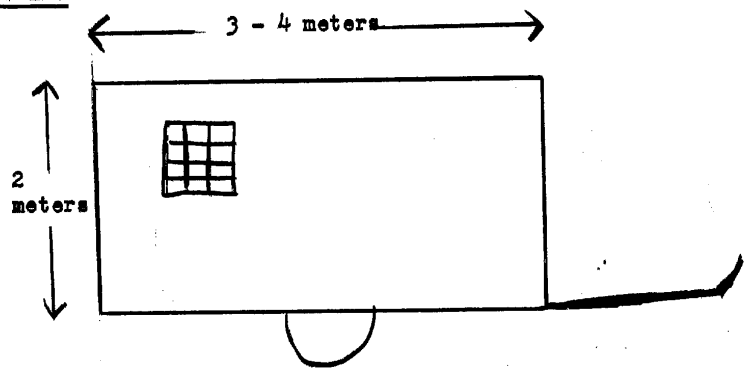

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